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Greetings,

This *Funding Opportunities* listing is provided to you by the Office of Faith Based and Community Initiatives (OFBCI). The OFBCI was established by Governor Mitch Daniels with Executive Order 05-16. Our office is responsible for the management of the National Service programs, i.e. Americorps, Citizens Corps, etc, throughout the State of Indiana. Additionally, this office will reach out to faith-based organizations to familiarize them with state and federal opportunities for grants and programs and provide training and technical assistance where appropriate for both community and faith based organizations.

We believe that another important part of our mission is to share with organizations throughout the state information regarding various funding opportunities that may address a specific need. Monthly, a listing of funding opportunities will be sent to you electronically which represents notices this office has received within the last 30 days. The listing is organized chronologically so that you can review funding opportunities based on the published deadline. We will make every effort to only publish available grants whose deadline is two weeks or more in the future, recognizing that it takes substantial staff time to develop successful grants. We hope that you will use this listing to further your mission and will let us know if you are successful in securing additional resources.

Paula Parker-Sawyers, Executive Director Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives Starbuck's Foundation's Youth

Leadership Grant Program funds writing and literacy programs that stimulate personal development and social commitment. It also supports programs that develop youth leader-ship skills to foster understanding among individuals, groups, and communities. Eligibility: Nonprofits that serve youth between ages 6 and 18 that are nondiscriminatory in their policies and practices with regard to physical abilities, gender, race, age, sexual orientation, ethnic origin and/or creed. Deadline: April 1 and Oct. 1. Amount: \$5,000 to \$20,000. Contact: www.starbucks.com/aboutus/grantinfo.asp, or (206) 318-7022.

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Department of Education: Faith-based and other organizations may apply for a grant under the Women's Educational Equity Act Program for projects that increase the number of low-income women and girls pursuing and excelling in advanced courses in mathematics or science, and entering highly skilled careers in which they have been underrepresented. A total of \$2,519,942 will be awarded for 14 to 15 grants. Individual award amounts will range from \$125,000 to \$250,000. Letters of intent are due April 1, 2005 and applications are due April 18, 2005. Complete details can be found in the program announcement at: <a href="http://">http://</a>

<u>a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/</u>edocket.access.gpo.gov/ 2005/pdf/E5-819.pdf.

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<u>Women.</u> Department of Education announces funds (a) to promote gender equity in education in the United States; (b) to provide financial assistance to enable educational agencies and

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institutions to meet the requirements of Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972; and © to promote equity in education for women and girls who suffer from multiple forms of discrimination based on sex, race, ethnic origin, limited English proficiency, disability, or age. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is April 18, 2005. Letter of Intent (LOI) is due by April 1, 2005. Approximately \$2.5 million is available to fund 14 awards. For further information, contact Tonja Lark, at (202) 245-6160, or Tonja.lark@ed.gov; or go to http:// a257.g.akammaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan200518 00/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/E5-819.pdf. D.C.Mayor's Office of Partnerships & Grants Development

The Collaborative Efforts to Prevent Child Abuse grant program, under the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, seeks to integrate strategies that address adult and community responsibility, prevention, and all levels of the social ecology (such as individual, relationship, community and societal) into existing state and local collaborations. Eligibility: Current recipients of Collaborative Efforts to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse, program no. 02124. Deadline: April 4. Amount: Three awards of \$175,000 to \$210,000 each. Contact: www.
Cdc.gov/od/pgo/funding/05038.htm, or (770) 488-2700.

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The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation invites applications for its *Investigator Awards in Health Policy Research*. Previously funded projects have included studies of health risk and disease prevention, the determinants of health and disparities among population groups, adolescent violence, firearms and tobacco policies, and the effects of managed care. **Eligibility**: Applicants must be affiliated either with educational institutions or with nonprofits in the United States. **Deadline**: Letters of intent are due **April 1**. **Amount**: About 10 awards of up to \$275,000 each. **Contact:** Lynn Rogut, (732) 932-3817, or

www.rwjf.org/files/publications/cfp/cfp-investigators2005.pdf.

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Partnerships for Innovation. National Science Foundation announces funds to: 1) stimulate the transformation of knowledge created by national research and education enterprise into innovations that create new wealth, build strong local, regional, and national economies and improve the national well-being; 2) broaden the participation of all types of academic institutions and all citizens in NSF activities to more fully meet the broad workforce needs of the national innovation enterprise; and 3) catalyze or enhance enabling infrastructure necessary to foster and sustain innovation in the long-term. Eligibility is unrestricted. The deadline for applications is June 3, 2005. Letter of Intent (LOI) is due by April 1, 2005. Approximately \$9 million is available to fund 15 awards up to \$600,000. For further information, contact NSF webmaster@nsf.gov; or go to: http:// www.nsf.gov/publications/pub summ.jsp? ods kev=nsf0566.

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Star Schools Program: U.S. Department of Education Star Schools Program encourages improved instruction in mathematics, science, and foreign languages, as well as other subjects (such as literacy skills and vocational education); and serves underserved populations, including disadvantaged, illiterate, limited English proficient populations, and individuals with disabilities through grants to eligible telecommunications partnerships to enable the partnerships to: (i) Develop, construct, acquire, maintain and operate telecommunications audio and visual facilities and equipment; (ii) Develop and acquire educational and instructional programming; and iii) Obtain technical assistance for the use of such facilities and instructional programming. Maximum Award: \$1,500,000-\$3,000,000. Eligibility: school districts and LEAs that serve a significant number of elementary and secondary schools; state educational agencies; adult and family education program; institutions of higher education or a

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State higher education agency; teacher training centers; public or private elementary or secondary schools. **Deadline: April 07, 2005**. http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/05-4441.htm

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Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. Department of Homeland Security announces funds to Fire Departments and nonaffiliated EMS organizations to enhance their abilities with respect to fire and fire-related hazards to meet firefighting and emergency response needs. This program seeks to support organizations that lack the tools and resources necessary to protect the health and safety of the public and their emergency response personnel with respect to fire and all other hazards they may face. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, state governments, nonprofit organizations and others. The deadline for applications is April 8, 2005. Approximately \$650 million is available to fund 900 awards, up to \$750,000. For further information, contact Tom Harrington, aat 1-866-274-0960, or firegrants@dhs.gov: or go to

http://www.firegrantssupport.com/.

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Rehabilitation Long Term Training Comprehensive System of Personnel Development. Department of Education announces funds for projects that provide basic or advanced training leading to an academic degree in areas of personnel shortages, provide a specified series of courses or program of study leading to a certificate in areas of personnel shortages, or provide support for medical residents enrolled in residency training programs in the specialty of physical medicine and rehabilitation. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, public housing authorities and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is April 11, 2005. Approximately \$1.2 million is available to fund 6 awards. For further information, contact Julius Cotton, t (202) 245-6140 or Julius.cotton@ed.gov; or go to: http://

a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20051 800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-4693.pdf.

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<u>Department of Justice</u>. Faith-based and other organizations that can demonstrate an understanding of victimization issues, have experience in providing victim services and advocacy, and have the needed capacity to conduct a public awareness campaign, are invited to apply for the Public Awareness in

Underserved Communities Cooperative Agreement. The Office for Victims of Crime will give favorable consideration to applications that have partnerships between a victim service organization and one or more ethnic community-based or faith-based organizations with close ties to the targeted audience. Successful applicants will plan and develop public awareness campaigns on the topic of victimization that is targeted to underserved populations with limited English proficiency. The campaign should be linguistically and culturally appropriate and include local ethnic media venues. A total of \$350,000 will be awarded to ten grants. Applications are due April 14, 2005. The solicitation for applications is at:

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http://www.ojp.gov/ovc/fund/pdftxt/solicpublicawareness.pdf].

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Family and Juvenile Treatment Drug Courts grants are intended to help treatment providers and courts provide alcohol and drug treatment and treatment support services. Treatment drug courts combine judicial authority with treatment to break the cycle of child abuse, child neglect or criminal behavior, substance abuse and incarceration. Family treatment drug courts provide services to parents who have been charged with child abuse or neglect, as well as to children and other family members. Juvenile treatment drug courts provide services to delinquent juveniles, as well as their parents, siblings, and other family

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members. **Eligibility**: Individual treatment drug courts or state or integrated county court systems, as long as all grant funds are dedicated to the individual drug court. **Deadline: April 15. Amount**: 16 awards of approximately \$400,000 each, for up to three years. **Contact:** (800) 729-6686 or <a href="http://fedgrants.gov/Applicants/HHS/SAMHSA/CSAT/TI-05-005%26%23032%3B/Grant.html">http://fedgrants.gov/Applicants/HHS/SAMHSA/CSAT/TI-05-005%26%23032%3B/Grant.html</a>.

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**Peer Education Training Sites and Resource and** Evaluation Center. Department of Health and Human Services announces funds for a cooperative agreement to provide nationwide peer education and training and other technical assistance to increase the number of HIV/AIDS peer treatment educators within Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act funded programs. Funds will also support a Resource Evaluation Center (REC) which will coordinate and maintain a central respository of training materials, assist in dissemination of successful training strategies, and evaluate outcomes of PETS program. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, academic health sciences centers, and community-based organizations that serve predominantly minority populations. The deadline for applications is April 15, 2005. Approximately \$2 million is available to fund 4 awards. For further information, contact HRSA Call Center at 1-877-464-4772, or (301) 998-7373, or CallCenter@HRSA.GOV: or go to: https:// grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/SFO.asp?ID-73288078-4732-4490-9A63-DC00491E611A. D.C.Mayor's Office of Partnerships & Grants Development

Partnership to Promote Innovation in Environmental Practice. Environmental Protection Agency announces funds for promoting innovations that can improve environmental results from State and Federal Programs; to increase understanding of new approaches, to facilitate use of proven concepts, and to encourage more innovation in environmental programs. Eligible applicants include public and state controlled institutions of higher educations, private institutions of higher education and individuals. The deadline for applications is April 21, 2005. Approximately \$300,000 is available to fund awards ranging from \$50,000-\$100,000. For further infor-

mation, contact Sandy Germann, at (919) 541-3061, or germann.sandy@epa.gov: or go to: http://www.epa.gov/innovation/pdf/solication.final.pdf.

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Technical Assistance and Dissemination to Improve Services and Results for Children with Disabilities—Secondary Transition Technical Assistance Center. Department of Education announces funds to provide technical assistance and dissemination of useful information to improve services to children with disabilities by applying scientifically based findings to facilitate systemic changes in policy, procedure, practice and the training and use of personnel. This program supports the improvement of transition planning, services, and outcomes for youth with disabilities through a center that will focus on disseminating information and providing technical assistance. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education and forprofit organizations other than small businesses. The deadline for applications is April 22, 2005. Approximately \$5.2 million is available to fund awards up to \$1.1 million. For further information, contact Tonja Lark, at (202) 245-6160, or Tonia.lark@ed.gov: or go to: http:// a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan2005180 0/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-442.pdf. D.C.Mayor's Office of Partnerships & Grants Development

MetLife Foundation Partners in Arts Education Project. National Guild of Community Schools of the Arts and Metlife Foundation announce funding to improve teaching and learning in the arts by advancing sustainable partnerships between community schools of the arts (CSAs) and public schools. The goal of the program is to support exemplary CSA/K-12 public school partnerships that address a recognized need; prioritize student learning and achievement; provide pedagogically sound arts education experiences; and address national, state or local arts education standards. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, and non-profit community schools of the arts that are mem-

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bers in good standing of the National Guild of Community Schools of the Arts and are located in Washington, D.C. and a variety of other cities. A community school that is not a member of the National Guild should return a completed membership application form and the first-year's dues with its grant application. The **deadline** for applications is **April 22, 2005**. Awards up to \$15,000 are available. For further information, contact Kenneth T. Cole, Program Director, at (212) 268-3337, or kencole@nationalguild.org; or go to: http://www.nationalguild.org/.

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2005 Aetna Foundation Regional Community Health Grants Program. Aetna Foundation focuses on reducing disparities in health care among racial and ethnic populations through an integrated business and philanthropic approach. It works to improve the cultural competency of clinical professionals, collecting racial and ethnic information Aetna members voluntarily share, and working with national experts to build programs that improve access to quality care. Grants will support one of the following areas of health disparities among racial and ethnic populations: cultural competency (training and education for health care professionals); and disease prevention, awareness and delivery of culturally sensitive care and services (related to children's oral health, diabetes, and depression). Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is April 29, 2005. Application will be available April 1, 2005. Approximately \$450,000 is available to fund awards, ranging from \$25,000-\$50,000. For further information, contact Aetna Foundation at: http://www.aetna.com/ foundation/communitygrants/2004 rfp.htm. D.C.Mayor's Office of Partnerships & Grants Development

2005 Community Grant. The Beaumont Foundation of America is dedicated to enriching the lives of individuals by providing technology to historically underserved schools and communities. The 2005 Areas of Focus include: affordable housing; children's hospitals; college and university scholarship programs; faith-based initiatives; foster care and mentoring programs for children; homeless persons; people with disabilities; restart programs for released offenders; and senior citi-

zens. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, state governments, public, private, parochial, and charter schools, as well as hospitals, and nonprofit organizations. Online Letter of Intent (LOI) is due by April 22, 2005. Approximately \$350 million is available. For further information, contact The Beaumont Foundation of America, at 1-866-546-2667, or http://www.bmtfoundation.com/bfa/us/public/en/contactus/query.html; or go to www.bmtfoundation.com

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The Patagonia Environmental Grant Program.

Patagonia provides funding for environmental work that is action-oriented; builds public involvement and support; is strategic; focuses on root causes; and accomplishes specific goals and objectives. Program priorities include: biodiversity, resource extraction, forests, media/publications, social activism, water/marine protection, and sustainable agriculture. Nonprofit organizations are eligible to apply. **Deadlines** for applications are **April 30, 2005** and August 31, 2005. Awards ranging from \$3,000-\$8,000 are available. For further information, contact Lisa Pike, at: <a href="http://www.patagonia.com/enviro/grants">http://www.patagonia.com/enviro/grants</a> app.shtml#apply.

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Brownfields Training, Research, and Technical Assistance Grants and Cooperative Agree-

ments Program. Environmental Protection Agency announces funds to facilitate "the inventory of brownfield sites, site assessments, remediation of brownfield sites, community involvement and site preparation" to focus brownfields programmatic (goals) attention on the environmental and human health conditions in low income communities and soci-economically disadvantaged communities unable to draw on alternative sources of funding for assessment or cleanup of brownfields and their subsequent development and to provide research, training and technical assistance to communities which will enable them to stimulate economic and other beneficial reuses. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state

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governments, and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is May 1, 2005. Approximately \$800,000 is available to fund 2 awards, ranging from \$100,000—\$300,000. For further information, contact Barbara Bassuener, at (202) 566-2768, or bassuener.barbara@apa.gov: or go to: http://www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/pg/rta 0205.htm.

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American Honda Foundation. The American Honda Foundation makes grants to K-12 schools, colleges, universities, trade schools, and other youth-focused nonprofit organizations for programs that benefit youth and scientific education. Maximum Award: \$10,000 -\$100,000. Eligibility: Schools and youth-focused nonprofit organizations. Deadline: Grant applications are accepted four times per year: Nov. 1, Feb. 1, May 1, and Aug. 1. http://www.hondacorporate.com/community

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Targeted Capacity Expansion (TCE): Meeting the Mental Health Services Needs of Older Adults. Department of Health and Human Services announces funds for increasing system infrastructure and service capacity for older persons with mental health needs and to help communities provide direct services, and build the necessary infrastructure to support expanded services for meeting the diverse mental health needs of older persons. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, public housing authorities and private institutions of higher education. Applicants must comply with the requirement to address the target population of persons 60 years of age and older who are at risk for or are experiencing mental health problems. The **deadline** for applications is May 5, 2005. Approximately \$4.4 million is available to fund 11 awards. For further information, contact Betsy McDonel-Herr, at (240) 276-1911, or betsy.mcdonelherr@samhsa.hhs.gov;

or go to: http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2005/nofa/sm05012 older.aspx.

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**National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative Category II Treatment and Service Adaptation** Centers. Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to improve treatment and services for all children and adolescents in the United States who have experienced traumatic events and to develop and promote effective community practices for children and adolescents exposed to a wide array of traumatic events. Eligible applicants include independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, public housing authorities and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is May 6, 2005. Approximately \$4.8 million is available to fund 8 awards up to \$600,000. For further information, contact Malcolm Gordon, at (240) 276-1856, or Malcolm.gordon@samhsa.hhs.gov: or go to: http:// www.samhsa.gov/grants/2005/nofa/ sm05005 nctsi two.aspx.

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**National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative Community Treatment and Services Center** Grants (Category III). Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to address child trauma issues by developing child traumatic stress-related products and services for nationwide consumption and benefit. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, public housing authorities and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is May 6, 2005. Approximately \$5.2 million is available to fund 13 awards. For further information, contact Christine Guthrie, at (240) 276-1847, or Christine.guthrie@samhsa.hhs.gov: or go to: http://

tine.guthrie@samhsa.hhs.gov: or go to: http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2005/nofa/sma05006 nctsi3.aspx.

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Technology and Media Services for Individuals with Disabilities-Steppingstones of Technology Innovation for Students with Disabilities.

Department of Education announces funds to: (1) improve results for children with disabilities by promoting the development, demonstration, and use of technology, (2) support educational media services activities designed to be of educational value in the classroom setting to children with disabilities, and (3) provide support for captioning and video description that is appropriate for use in the classroom setting. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, special district governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education and for-profit organizations other than small businesses. The deadline for applications is May 6, 2005. Approximately \$3 million is available to fund 12 awards, ranging from \$200,000-\$300,000. For further information, contact Julius Cotton, at (202) 245-6140, or Julius.cotton@ed.gov; or go to: http:// a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan200518 00/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/pdf/05-440.pdf. D.C.Mayor's Office of Partnerships & Grants Development

**National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative** Category I National Center for Child Trau-

matic Stress. Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to improve treatment and services for all children and adolescents in the United States who have experienced traumatic events by creating a national network of grantees that work collaboratively to develop and promote effective community practices for children and adolescents exposed to a wide array of traumatic events. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, public housing authorities and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is May 6, 2005. Approximately \$5 million is available to fund 1 award. For further information, contact Rivera-Casale, at (240) 276-1880, or Cecilia.casale@samhsa.hhs.gov; or go to:

Http://www.samhsa.gov/grants/2005/nofa/ sm05004 nctsi one.aspx.

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**National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative Community Treatment and Services Center** Grants for Program Supplements. Department of Health and Human Services SAMHSA announces the availability of funds to provide continued support to the National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative (NCTSI) Community Treatment and Services (CTS) Centers whose funding ends in FY 2005. These projects will provide two additional years of limited support to up to 12 of the current CTS Centers originally funded in FY 2001 or FY 2002. Eligibility for this funding is limited to SAMHSA National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative (NCTSI) Community Treatment and Services (CTS) Centers whose funding ends in FY 2005. The deadline for applications is May 7, **2005.** Approximately \$2.4 million is available to fund 12 awards. For further information, contact Christine Guthrie at (240) 276-1847, or Christine.guthrie@samhsa.hhs.gov: or go to: http:// www.samhsa.gov/grants/2005/nofa/ sm05016 nctsi supplement.aspx.

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Horace Mann Scholarship Program for Educa-

tors. The Horace Mann Companies is offering \$30,000 in scholarships for public and private school educators to take college courses. Maximum Award: \$500-\$5,000. Eligibility: Educators must be employed by a U.S. public or private school district or U.S. public or private college/ university at the time of application and at the time the scholarship is awarded, and must have at least two years teaching experience. Program is not open to residents of Hawaii, New Jersey and New York. Deadline: May 14, 2005.

https://www.horacemann.com/edscholarship/

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Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Secretary, Office of Public Health and Science. The Office of Population Affairs (OPA), Office of Family Planning (OFP), announces the anticipated availability of funds for

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fiscal year (FY) 2005 family planning service grants under the authority of Title X of the Public Health Service Act and solicits applications for competing grant awards to serve the areas and/or populations listed in Table I. Only applications which propose to serve the populations and/or areas listed in Table I will be accepted for review and possible funding. This announcement seeks applications from public and nonprofit private entities to establish and operate voluntary family planning services projects, which shall provide family planning services to all persons desiring such services. Family planning services include clinical family planning and related preventive health services; information, education, and counseling related to family planning, including abstinence education; and referral services as indicated, Eligible Applicants, County governments, City or township governments, Special district governments, Independent school districts, State governments, Public and State controlled institutions of higher education, Native American tribal governments (Federally recognized), Public housing authorities/Indian housing authorities, Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Private institutions of higher education, Individuals. Deadline: June 1, 2005 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan B. Moskosky, 301-594-4008 http://frwebgate3.access.gpo.gov/cgibin/waisgate.cgi?WAISdocID=7554891184+0+0+ 0&WAISaction=retrieve

Development and Evaluation of Innovative Approaches for the Quantitative Assessment of Pathogens in Drinking Water. Environmental Protection Agency announces funds for the development and evaluation of innovative approaches to quantitatively detect microbial pathogens in drinking water, to improve the suite of available detection methods for known and emerging microbial drinking water contaminants. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is June 9.

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NICHD Cooperative Multicenter Neonatal Research Network. Department of Health and Human Services announces funds to participate with the NICHD under a cooperative agreement in an ongoing multi-center clinical program designed to investigate problems in neonatal medicine, particularly those related to low birth weight, prematurity, and common neonatal medical problems. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, public housing authorities, private institutions of higher education and others. The deadline for applications is July 22, 2005. Approximately \$6.4 million is available to fund 13 awards. If you have any problems linking to this funding announcement, please contact the NIH OER Webmaster, at FBOWebmaster@OD.NIH.GOV: or go to: http:// grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-HD-04-010,html.

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2005 Native Plant Conservation Initiative. The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation announces a Request for Proposals for the 2005 Native Plant Conservation Initiative (NPCI). Grants promote the conservation of native plants. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, special district governments, state governments and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is September 30, 2005. The deadline for Pre-proposals is August 15, 2005. Awards ranging from \$5,000—\$40,000 are available. For further information, contact Ellen Lippincott, at (202) 857-0166, or ellen.lippincott@nfwf.org: or go to http://www.nfwf.org/programs/npci.htm.

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The Home Depot Foundation gives cash and materials to help provide young people with safe places to play and learn, leadership programs that teach skills through community engagement, and job readiness training. Maximum Award: Up to \$25,000 Eligibility: Schools and districts. Deadline: Applications are considered four times a year. http://

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www.homedepotfoundation.org

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**Amazon.com** is proud to announce that it is now accepting applications for the Amazon.com Nonprofit Innovation Award, which recognizes and rewards nonprofit organizations whose innovative approaches most effectively improve their communities or the world at large. If your nonprofit is powered by breakthrough ideas, we encourage you to read more about our program and how to apply for the award. Ten organizations selected as finalists will have a unique opportunity to raise funds and awareness for their programs on Amazon.com. All 10 finalists will be profiled on their own Amazon.com pages, where customers will be invited to vote for their favorites by making monetary donations. The organization that receives the largest amount of customer contributions by the deadline will receive the award, along with a matching grant of up to \$1 million from Amazon.com. Eligibility Requirements: To be eligible to enter, the organization must be recognized by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as exempt from federal income tax under IRC -°501(c)(3), qualify as a charitable organization under IRC -0170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and have public charity status under IRC -°509. The organization also must have been in existence for a minimum of two years and may not have Amazon.com employees, officers, or directors serving as employees, officers, or directors. Award Criteria: The selection of semifinalists and finalists from the pool of eligible entrants will be based on criteria that include:

- \* \*Need:\* the urgency, relevancy and complexity of the problem the organization seeks to address.
- \* \*Gap analysis:\* clear evidence of a gap between the targeted problem and existing solutions.
- \*\*Innovation:\* the extraordinary inventiveness of the solution and how it breaks from traditional approaches.
- \* \*Results:\* clearly defined metrics and a measurable record of improvement for at least two years.
- \* \*Perpetuation:\* a well-developed plan for promoting continued innovation.

PProfessional Development Grants. Is there a great continuing education conference you'd like to hit this year, but there's just not enough money in your agency's training budget? Indiana Youth Institute's Professional Development Grants have been upgraded to provide you with even more options and opportunities. In addition to covering conference registration fees, trainings, or workshops, these grants will now pay hotel room costs for out-of-state conferences and mileage for outof-county workshops. Download the Professional Development Grant application packet, including FAQs, guidelines, and even an application checklist. By merely answering six questions (two pages or less), you can receive up to \$750 to attend a professional development workshop, conference or class. Apply by the 10th of the month, and you'll have an answer by the 1st of the next month. Up to three people in an organization can receive a grant per calendar year. For more information:

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